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Dear Sir:

The instant application is a divisional of Application Ser. No. 10/078,947. Due to a clerical error, another divisional application (Application Ser. No. 10/805,062) was filed based on the same parent application 10/078,947, containing identical claims as the instant application. On July 13, 2004, an Office Action was issued in the sibling case (Ser. No. 10/805,062), where some of the claims were rejected. On

September 16, 2004, a Notice of Allowance was issued in the instant case, where all claims were allowed. Upon receiving the Notice of Allowance and discovering the inconsistent examination results of the two divisional applications, the applicant's attorney contacted Examiner Anh T. Mai, who is the examiner in both cases, on October 4, 2004. The applicant's attorney brought to Examiner Mai's attention the two cases and the inconsistent office actions. Examiner Mai indicated that she would review the two cases and advise the applicant of the result of her review. On October 6, 2004, Examiner Mai contacted the applicant's attorney. Examiner Mai stated that she would maintain the allowance of the instant case, and that the applicant may choose to abandon the sibling case if desired.

Respectfully submitted,

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